



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE**

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**S. 410**

**A bill to amend the Violence Against Women Act of 2000 by expanding the legal assistance for victims of violence grant program to include legal assistance for victims of dating violence**

*As reported by the Senate Committee on the Judiciary on April 25, 2002*

Current law authorizes the Attorney General to make grants to nonprofit organizations and other entities to provide legal assistance to victims of domestic violence, stalking, or sexual assault. S. 410 would permit recipients of such grants to provide assistance to victims of dating violence as well. Because S. 410 would not increase the amount authorized to be appropriated for such grants, we expect that implementing the bill would result in no significant costs to the federal government.

Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or receipts, so pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. S. 410 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

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